

SENATE BILL 888

By Ketron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68,  
Chapter 14, relative to swimming pools.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 14, Part 4, is amended by adding a new section thereto, as follows:

Section 68-14-404.

(a) Notwithstanding any rule or regulation to the contrary, each swimming pool or spa drain and drain cover installed after the effective date of this act shall conform to the American National Standard ASME A112.19.8 – 2007 Suction Fittings for Use in Swimming Pools, Wading Pools, Spas, and Hot Tubs published by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME).

(b) Notwithstanding any rule or regulation to the contrary, each swimming pool and spa pump with a single main drain, other than an unblockable drain, shall be equipped with one (1) or more additional devices or systems designed to prevent suction entrapment that meet the requirements of any applicable ASME/ANSI standard or applicable United States consumer product safety commission rule. Such devices or systems shall include a safety vacuum release system, suction limiting vent system, gravity drainage system, automatic pump shutoff system, drain disablement, or other system equally effective in preventing suction entrapment.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.